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Re: *John Hancock Life Insurance Company, et al. v. Abbott Laboratories*
U.S.D.C. (Mass.) Civil Action No. 05-11150-DPW

Dear Judge Woodlock,

At the status conference on October 25, 2007, Your Honor directed the parties to submit, no later than December 1, 2007, updated expert reports in this matter, if warranted, to incorporate material from recent discovery. Abbott respectfully requests a minor modification of the updated expert report schedule, which currently contemplates that the parties will serve their updated expert reports simultaneously. Abbott suggests that a staggering of the due dates for the updated expert reports would be reasonable and in the interests of efficiency. All of Abbott's experts are rebuttal experts. If the service dates for the expert reports are not staggered to require Hancock to serve its updated reports first, Abbott's experts will not be able to respond to the new information in Hancock's updated reports and will therefore not be able to fulfill their role as rebuttal experts.

Abbott therefore respectfully requests that Hancock's updated expert reports be served on December 1, 2007 and Abbott's rebuttal updated expert reports or objections to Hancock's

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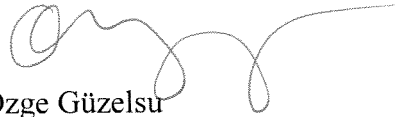
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updated expert reports be served on December 14, 2007. Abbott has conferred with Hancock regarding its request and Hancock has indicated that it opposes it.

Sincerely,

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Özge Güzelsu

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